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REPORT NO.

TOPIC STAAKEN Airfield

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1. Four aircraft wrecks were at the northwest corner of the STAAKEN (N 53/Z 65) airfield. Twelve covered DC-3s were parked on the eastern edge of the field and four fighters with radial engine in front of the hangars on the southern edge. Two DC-3s took off at 8:20 a.m. heading south. One DC-3 coming from the west landed about 1.p.m. There was no other flying.
2. Two fighters were being adjusted at a provisional adjustment range at the southwest corner of the field. One plane had the engine cowling on and was being taken from the jacks. The other plane was jacked up, its tail raised and the engine cowling removed. One blade of the three-bladed propeller pointed to the top so that the aircraft weapons could be observed being mounted above the engine. There were four apertures, firing holes in the upper section of the cowling ring. Individual firing, probably of a 20-mm gun, was heard later from the direction of the adjustment range.
3. Description: (Fighters): Single-seat, low-wing monoplanes, radial or double radial engine, landing gear retracted inward, drop-shaped cockpit set in line with wings, antenna rod aft of cockpit, wings short, dihedral and rounded at tips, red propeller hubs.

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4. The trucks were seen at the field. There were three air force officers near the truck loaded with furniture, which was standing at the DALLGOTM (N 53/Z 65) filling station. A truck went to the field.

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- 5X1 5. Three sentries were posted at the underground fuel dump on the northern edge of the field. The radio station previously observed west of the field was still there. A new radio station was being set up about 500 feet south of the field. This station consisted of four braced, about 30-foot radio masts, arranged in a square and a cabin on the side.

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The mastheads were connected by antennas. From each antenna a lead ran down, probably to the cabin on the side.

25X1A [redacted] Comment:

a. According to previous reports [redacted]
[redacted] it was assumed that the SAKHIN fighter
regiment was transferred to PEKING TUNDE. The arrival of
a new fighter unit has not been reported. It must be
learned whether the observed fighters were temporarily or
permanently stationed in ST. ALIN. The presence of a unit
equipped with LI-2s was confirmed [redacted]

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b. The newly established radio station on the southern
edge of the field is probably an Adcock DF station.

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